

PRICES ARE VERY WERT

Most Vigorous Efforts of Room Traders to Influence Them Unavailing.

MARKET MERELY NOMINAL

Day Spent in Complete Idleness by Brokers, Many Even Leaving Town for Holidays.

(By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—To-day's stock market was only nominal, and the greater part of the day was spent in the complete idleness of the brokers. Many members of the exchange left town for the holidays, and the market was practically untraded.

On the other hand, some of the industrial stocks were inclined to harden, on the assumption that money will be available after New Year to the railroad and other equipment purchasers. The heaviness of the London raw copper market may have caused the slight decline in Amalgamated.

United States Steel preferred was the subject of the customary surmise, as to dividend possibilities, but fell 1/2 point to 107 1/2. Laclede was declined from its recent high advance, with the balance of the steel generally were firm on the contemplation of results of a year of unexampled prosperity as a whole rather than the immediate outlook, which is somewhat clouded.

The bond market was dull and irregular. Total sales of stocks were 231,600 shares.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Money on call easy, 1/2-3/4 for 14 days, 3/4-1/2 for 30 days, 5/8-3/4 for 60 days, 3/4-1/2 for 90 days, 1/2-3/4 for 120 days, 1/2-3/4 for 180 days, 1/2-3/4 for 240 days, 1/2-3/4 for 360 days.

Wall Street Gossip.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—The market opened with a feature of real consequence, and the trading was noticeably light. There was a general feeling of idleness, and the room traders thought that stocks generally favored the market.

The volume of trading in the first hour was smaller than that in the corresponding period of any day in the recent past. The market was generally quiet, with a few scattered transactions. The price of cotton was steady, and the price of sugar was firm.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Table listing stock prices in Richmond, VA., including Virginia Centuries, State Securities, and various local stocks.

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Official Range and Sale of Stocks in New York

Table showing the official range and sale of stocks in New York, listing various stocks and their prices.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

Table showing closing quotations for various stocks, including American, National, and International shares.

TOBACCO MARKET.

Table showing tobacco market prices, including various grades of tobacco and their current market values.

WHEAT MARKET.

Table showing wheat market prices, including various grades of wheat and their current market values.

COTTON MARKET.

Table showing cotton market prices, including various grades of cotton and their current market values.

PRODUCE MARKET.

Table showing produce market prices, including various agricultural products and their current market values.

RICHMOND PRODUCE MARKET.

Table showing Richmond produce market prices, including local agricultural products and their current market values.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

Table showing Richmond stock market prices, including local stocks and their current market values.

RICHMOND GRAIN MARKET.

Table showing Richmond grain market prices, including various grades of grain and their current market values.

RICHMOND CATTLE MARKET.

Table showing Richmond cattle market prices, including various grades of cattle and their current market values.

RICHMOND HORSE MARKET.

Table showing Richmond horse market prices, including various grades of horses and their current market values.

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MONUMENT TO PETER MONTAGUE Will be Erected by Virginia Family Over Their Pioneer Ancestor.

A CONFERENCE ON THE EDMONDSON ROAD BILL. The House and Senate having disagreed on amendments to the Edmondson general law, a conference of the two houses was agreed upon.

SUSPECTS SENT TO COUNTY CHAIN GANG. MOBILE, Ala., Dec. 22.—Pending the convening of the grand jury in February...

Last Year Sale. What was doubtless the last public auction sale of real estate before Christmas...

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 22.—CATTLE.—Receipts, 1,000 head. Market steady. Choice, 10c; heavy, 9c; light, 8c.

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